FISCAL NOTE

HB 2297 - SB 2803

February 25, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes any state college or university under the Tennessee Board of Regents to maintain a training school for grades K-12 for the purpose of providing practice teaching experience for teachers in training.

Present law authorizes TBR institutions to maintain a training school for grades 1-12.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Assumes the effect of the bill is to make the law consistent with current practice.

For information purposes, the University of Memphis which maintains a training school and contracts for several professional development schools with Memphis City Schools, already serves kindergarten students and provides practice teaching experience for kindergarten teachers (in addition to providing early childhood teacher training for teaching children ages 3-5). This is also the case in the professional development schools that serve elementary students.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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